

HOW DO NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS MEASURE UP?

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North Carolina's...

- ...four-year high school graduation rate is 77.9 percent, the *highest* in state history.
- ...Career and Technical Education completers' graduation rate is 89.6 percent.
- ...annual dropout rate is 3.43 percent, the lowest in history.
- ...public high school students and teachers have earned 51,225 professional Microsoft certifications from the Microsoft IT Academy.

North Carolina public schools are

- » 36th in SAT scores
- » 22nd in ACT scores
- » 15th in the percentage of seniors who took at least 1 Advanced Placement exam in high school
- » 12th in 4th grade math, according to the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)
- » 24th in 4th grade reading, according to NAEP
- » 22nd in 8th grade math, according to NAEP
- » 34th in 8th grade reading, according to NAEP
- » Among the bottom 10 states in per pupil funding
- » 41st in teacher pay (2010-11 school year)

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THE REMODELING PLAN FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION – A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY

Why?

All students must graduate and be career, college, and citizenship ready.

How?

- 1. New standards and assessments of what students know and are able to do
 - a. National assessment
 - b. Computer adaptive assessments
 - c. Ongoing evaluation of student learning

2. New Tools

- a. Cloud computing
- b. 1:1 digital device for every student, including Bring Your Own Device programs
- c. Access to a teacher time saver instructional technology system
- 3. Retooling the skills of 100,000 teachers and principals
 - a. New evaluation system
 - b. Online learning available 24/7
 - c. Use of analytics
- 4. Personalization of learning for 1.5 million students
 - a. Online learning
 - b. "Flip" education

